

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1 and 2 are hereby canceled. Claim 3 is rewritten to be in independent form. Claims 19, 20, 24 are amended to depend from claim 3. No new matter is introduced by these amendments.

In the Restriction Requirement of April 18, 2007, the Examiner divided the claims into six groups and required an election of one of the groups. Applicants hereby elect prosecution of Group I (originally claims 1-12, 19-31 and 37) drawn to a polynucleotide. The remaining claims are hereby withdrawn. In addition, the Examiner required that the first and second amino acid in claim 2 be specified. As claim 2 is now canceled, Applicants believe this requirement is moot.

Applicants believe the following claims encompass the elected invention: claim 3-12, 19-31 and 37.

Conclusion

It is believed that this submission does not require the payment of any fees. If this is incorrect, however, please deduct from Deposit Account No. 07-1969 the appropriate fee for this submission and any extension of time required.

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